



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
CALIFORNIA DIVISION
980 Ninth Street, Suite 400
Sacramento, CA. 95814-2724

JUL 25 2001

IN REPLY REFER TO
HDA-CA
File #: 1040.2 MTC
Document #: 36249

Mr. Jeff Morales, Director
California Department of Transportation
1120 N Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Attention: Federal Resources Branch, Room 3500
For Greg Wong, Office of Federal Transportation Program Management

Dear Mr. Morales:

SUBJECT: MTC 2000/01-2002/03 FTIP/FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 01-13

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) have completed our review of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Amendment No. 01-13 to their 2000/01-2002/03 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). This MTC amendment was submitted for approval and inclusion in the 2000/01-2002/03 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) by your letter dated June 26, 2001. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission adopted this amendment on May 30, 2001, by revision to Resolution No. 3300.

With the exception of the five projects cited below which require that a conformity determination be made prior to the projects being included in, removed from, or modified in the FTIP/FSTIP, we accept this amendment in accordance with 23 CFR 450.

1. TIP ID: SCL010014 - Santa Clara County Central Express HOV Lanes
2. TIP ID: SCL991050 - Wolfe Road/El Camino Real Widening Project
3. TIP ID: SM979044 - Route 101 Auxiliary Lane, Hillsdale Blvd
4. TIP ID: SOL990054 - I-680/Gold Hill Park & Ride Lot
5. TIP ID: SOL991096 - Fairfield Transit Center, Red Top: Phase 2

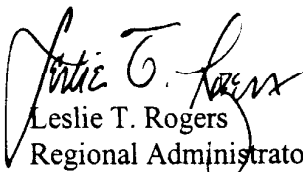
We find that the remaining changes to the 2000/01-2002/03 FSTIP as proposed by MTC in Amendment No. 01-13 were developed through a process in accord with the provisions of 23 USC 134 and Chapter 53 of 49 USC. With the exception of the five projects cited above, added programming proposed by MTC in Amendment No. 01-13 is consistent with the types of projects listed in Tables 2 and 3 of 40 CFR Sections 93.126 and 93.127 and are exempt from regional emissions analysis requirements. As approved by the FTA and the FHWA for inclusion in the FSTIP, the program modifications proposed by MTC Amendment No. 01-13 do not effect

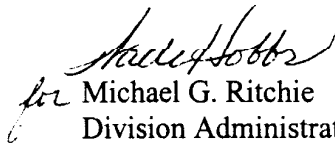
the conformity determination for the 2000/01-2002/03 MTC FTIP. Our planning and air quality conformity findings have been coordinated with the Regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency.

This letter constitutes approval and inclusion of MTC's FTIP Amendment No. 01-13 into the 2000/01-2002/03 FSTIP. Our programming approval is for those projects in the first three years (FY 01, 02 & 03) of the FTIP. We accept those projects programmed in the fourth year and beyond for informational purposes only. Those transit projects listed in the fourth year of the FTIP and beyond are not eligible for Pre-Award authority at this time.

Approvals on individual projects contained in the FSTIP are subject to the grantees meeting all necessary FTA administrative requirements.

Sincerely,


Leslie T. Rogers
Regional Administrator
Federal Transit Administration


for Michael G. Ritchie
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration

cc:

MTC FTIP Binder w/ Caltrans Letter

MTC, Lizzie Kemp

EPA, Mark Brucker

FTA, Jerome Wiggins

Caltrans:

Federal Resources Branch, Dick Petrie

Office of Local Programs, Terry Abbott

Office of Federal Programs, Greg Wong (FAX: 916-654-2738)